

**FEBRUARY 19, 2008
PARMA CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
7:00 P.M.**

The Regular Council meeting was called to order by President of Council Charles M. Germana presiding:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

THOMAS J. REGAS
SCOTT M. TUMA
SEAN P. BRENNAN
NICHOLAS J. CELEBREZZE
BRIAN DAY
MARY GALINAS
ROY J. JECH
KENNETH A. RAMSER

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

LARRY NAPOLI

The following officials and department heads were also present: Mayor Dean E. DePiero, Law Director Timothy G. Dobeck, Auditor Dennis M. Kish, Treasurer Anthony C. Zielinski, Safety Director Gregory Baeppler, Building Commissioner/City Engineer Paul Deichmann, Recreation Commissioner Mickey Vittardi, Director of Human Resources Elayne Siegfried, Chief of Staff Meghann McCall, Director of Public Housing Lev Kulchytsky, and Deputy Clerk I Elaine Swade.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given this evening by Deputy Clerk I Elaine Swade.

PLEGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Weeblo Scouts from Cub Scout Pack 329. They received a tour of City Hall prior to tonight's Council Meeting.

VOICE VOTE:

RESOLUTION NO. 52-08 2/19/08 L-52-08

BY: **B. DAY, S. P. BRENNAN, N. J. CELEBREZZE, M. GALINAS, R. J. JECH, L. NAPOLI,
K. A. RAMSER, T. J. REGAS, S. M. TUMA**

A RESOLUTION HONORING PAST GAVELERS ASSOCIATION
OF PARMA ON THEIR 40TH ANNIVERSARY

Motion made by Councilman Jech, seconded by Councilman Day, to adopt Resolution No. 52-08. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 53-08 2/19/08 L-53-08

BY: **S. P. BRENNAN, N. J. CELEBREZZE, B. DAY, M. GALINAS, R. J. JECH, L. NAPOLI,
K. A. RAMSER, T. J. REGAS, S. M. TUMA**

A RESOLUTION HONORING PARMA COUNCIL OF PTAs
ON THEIR 80TH ANNIVERSARY

Motion made by Councilman Jech, seconded by Councilman Day, to adopt Resolution No. 53-08. Motion carried.

VOICE VOTE CONTINUED:

RESOLUTION NO. 66-08 2/19/08 L-66-08
BY: **S. M. TUMA**, S. P. BRENNAN, N. J. CELEBREZZE, B. DAY, M. GALINAS, R. J. JECH,
L. NAPOLI, K. A. RAMSER, T. J. REGAS

A RESOLUTION HONORING DOROTHY HAZEL
CITIZEN OF THE MONTH – JANUARY, 2008

Motion made by Councilman Jech, seconded by Councilman Day, to adopt Resolution No. 66-08. Motion carried.

Mr. Germana – Asked Dorothy Hazel to come forward and to have the Deputy Clerk read the Resolution in its entirety.

Mayor DePiero – Presented Dorothy Hazel with the Citizen of the Month Award.

Councilman Tuma – Presented the Resolution to Dorothy Hazel.

Dorothy Hazel – Thanked the Mayor and Council for the Award and Resolution.

LEGISLATIVE COMMENT

Mr. Germana – Asked if anyone from the public would like to comment on any legislation that Council will be taking final action on tonight. No one wished to comment.

DISPOSAL OF THE JOURNAL

Mr. Germana – Stated, we have the Minutes from the Special Council Meeting on February 11, 2008. Asked if there were any additions or corrections to these Minutes. Stated, hearing none, the Minutes will stand approved as printed.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND CLAIMS

Notice to Legislative Authority, Ohio Division of Liquor Control, 6606 Tussing Road, P.O. Box 4005, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068-9005, Permit Number 90739950755, for a C2 Liquor Permit for True North Energy, LLC, dba True North 349, 5811 Ridge Road, Parma, Ohio 44134. Mailed 2/13/08. Responses must be postmarked no later than 3/17/08.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Motion made by Councilman Jech, seconded by Councilman Day, to amend the Calendar as follows: Add Resolution No. 65-08 to First Reading immediately after Ordinance No. 64-08. Change Ordinance No. 60-08 from Suspension of the Rules to First Reading. Motion carried.

FIRST READING:

RESOLUTION NO. 48-08 2/19/08 L-48-08
BY: **S. M. TUMA**, M. GALINAS
(By Request – Mayor)

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF "NATIONAL CRIME
VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK," DESIGNATED THE WEEK
OF APRIL 13TH THROUGH APRIL 19TH OF 2008, AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Germana – Said Resolution will be referred to the Public Safety Committee.

FIRST READING CONTINUED:

RESOLUTION NO. 49-08 2/19/08 L-49-08

BY: **T. R. REGAS**

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES
CONGRESS TO FULLY FUND SAFETEA-LU (FEDERAL
AID FOR TRANSPORTATION) TO AUTHORIZED
LEVELS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Germana – Said Resolution will be referred to the Public Service Committee.

ORDINANCE NO. 50-08 2/19/08 L-50-08

BY: **L. NAPOLI**

(By Request – City Engineer/Building Commissioner)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER
INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH STEPHEN HOVANCSEK &
ASSOCIATES, INC., FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES
RELATED TO THE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT, STORM
SEWER REPLACEMENT AND ROAD CONSTRUCTION ON
PARKHAVEN DRIVE IN THE CITY OF PARMA, AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Germana – Said Ordinance will be referred to the Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE NO. 51-08 2/19/08 L-51-08

BY: **R. J. JECH**

(By Request – Mayor)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER
INTO A CONTRACT WITH BOWEN & ASSOCIATES FOR
ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES
FOR A NEW RECREATIONAL POOL FACILITY IN THE CITY
OF PARMA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Germana – Said Ordinance will be referred to the Finance Committee.

RESOLUTION NO. 59-08 2/19/08 L-59-08

BY: **S. M. TUMA**

(By Request – City Engineer/Building Commissioner)

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF PARMA'S
TRANSPORTATION FOR LIVABLE COMMUNITY
INITIATIVE (TLCI) PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING
ITS SUBMITTAL TO THE NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE
COORDINATING AGENCY (NOACA), AND DECLARING
AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Germana – Said Resolution will be referred to the Public Service Committee.

FIRST READING CONTINUED:

ORDINANCE NO. 60-08 2/19/08 L-60-08

BY: **S. M. TUMA**

(By Request – Law Director)

AN ORDINANCE TO ENTER INTO A PARTIAL
SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY
OF PARMA AND THE PLAINTIFFS, INCLUDING NICHOLAS
KASHI, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mrs. Swade – In the heading and Section 1. change the word “partial” to tentative. In
Section 4. change the word “partially” to “tentatively”.

Mr. Germana – Said Ordinance will be referred to the Finance Committee.

ORDINANCE NO. 64-08 2/19/08 L-64-08

BY: **S. M. TUMA**

(By Request – Law Director)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND A PORTION OF SECTION 1
OF ORDINANCE NO. 230-05 RELATIVE TO THE AMOUNT
FOR LEGAL SERVICES OF THE LAW FIRM MAZANEC,
RASKIN & RYDER CO., LPA, FOR THE PRESENT CLAIM
KNOWN AS RAGAN VS. CITY OF PARMA, ET AL., AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Germana – Said Ordinance will be referred to the Finance Committee.

RESOLUTION NO. 65-08 2/19/08 L-65-08

BY: **M. GALINAS**

(By Request – Mayor and Safety Director)

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 320 TO
IMPOSE STRICTER GUIDELINES IN THE CURRENT LAW
ON OCCUPANT RESTRAINING DEVICES IN MOTOR
VEHICLES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Germana – Said Resolution will be referred to the Public Safety Committee.

SECOND READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 47-08 2/4/08 L-47-08

BY: **M. GALINAS**

(By Request – Safety Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO ENTER INTO A
CONTRACT WITH CLEVELAND COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
FOR THE LEASE/PURCHASE OF RADIO EQUIPMENT FOR
PHASE 1 OF THE CITY-WIDE RADIO SYSTEM, AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

SECOND READING CONTINUED:

Motion made by Councilman Tuma, seconded by Councilman Day, to refer Ordinance No. 47-08 back to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

SECOND READING SUSPENSION OF THE RULES:

RESOLUTION NO. 28-08 2/4/08 L-28-08
BY: **T. J. REGAS**, N. J. CELEBREZZE, K. A. RAMSER, S. M. TUMA

A RESOLUTION TO GRANT A MORAL CLAIM TO
ELMER KRAL FOR A CLAIM FOR INJURIES/DAMAGES
SUFFERED AS A RESULT OF AN INCIDENT FROM
MARCH 12, 2004, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Germana – Shall the statutory provision and Rule 47 requiring the full and distinct reading of Resolution No. 28-08 on three different days be dispensed with?

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; motion carried.

Motion made by Councilman Jech, seconded by Councilman Day, to adopt Resolution No. 28-08.

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; Resolution No. 28-08 is adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 31-08 2/4/08 L-31-08
BY: **R. J. JECH**, K. A. RAMSER, T. REGAS, S. M. TUMA, S. P. BRENNAN, N. J. CELEBREZZE,
B. DAY, M. GALINAS

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE CONTINUATION
AND STRENGTHENING OF TRADITIONAL MEDICARE,
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Germana – Shall the statutory provision and Rule 47 requiring the full and distinct reading of Resolution No. 31-08 on three different days be dispensed with?

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; motion carried.

Motion made by Councilman Jech, seconded by Councilman Day, to adopt Resolution No. 31-08.

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; Resolution No. 31-08 is adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 33-08 2/4/08 L-33-08
BY: **S. P. BRENNAN**, N. J. CELEBREZZE, B. DAY, M. GALINAS, R. J. JECH, K. A. RAMSER,
T. J. REGAS, S. M. TUMA
(By Request – Law Director)

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF "NATIONAL CONSUMER
PROTECTION WEEK," DESIGNATED THE WEEK OF
MARCH 2ND THROUGH MARCH 8TH OF 2008, AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Germana – Shall the statutory provision and Rule 47 requiring the full and distinct Reading of Resolution No. 33-08 on three different days be dispensed with?

SECOND READING SUSPENSION OF THE RULES CONTINUED:

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; motion carried.

Motion made by Councilman Jech, seconded by Councilman Day, to adopt Resolution No. 33-08.

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; Resolution No. 33-08 is adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 58-08

2/11/08

L-58-08

(Special Meeting)

BY: **M. GALINAS**, S. P. BRENNAN

(By Request – Community Service and Economic Development Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A
PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A
COMMERCIAL STRUCTURE AND PROPERTY LOCATED
AT 5282 PEARL ROAD IN THE CITY OF PARMA,
PERMANENT PARCEL NUMBER 443-22-025, AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Germana – Shall the statutory provision and Rule 47 requiring the full and distinct reading of Ordinance No. 58-08 on three different days be dispensed with?

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; motion carried.

Motion made by Councilman Tuma, seconded by Councilman Day, to amend Ordinance No. 58-08 as follows: In Section 3. the Fund No. should be 285-285-Land Acquisition, and the Account No. should be 68059-05808-Land Purchase. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilman Jech, seconded by Councilman Day, to adopt Ordinance No. 58-08 as amended.

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; Ordinance No. 58-08 is adopted as amended.

THIRD READING:

ORDINANCE NO. 264-07

9/4/07

L-264-07

(As amended)

BY: **S. P. BRENNAN**

(By Request – Service Director/City Engineer)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF
PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT
WITH THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION AND
MAINTENANCE OF SEWERAGE SYSTEMS FOR THE
REPLACEMENT OF WATER TRANSMISSION LINES
WITHIN THE CITY OF PARMA

Mr. Germana – Said Ordinance will be held on Third Reading.

THIRD READING CONTINUED:

ORDINANCE NO. 17-08

1/22/08

L-17-08

BY: **S. M. TUMA**

(By Request – Law Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF
PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH
THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR MUNICIPAL
EXCESS LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR THE CITY OF
PARMA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilman Tuma, seconded by Councilman Jech, to amend Ordinance No. 17-08 as follows: In Section 1., Line 2., after the word "with" add the words "Trident Insurance Services, a subsidiary of the Argonaut Insurance Group, through Governmental Underwriters of America, Inc.". On Line 3., after the word "exceed" add the amount "\$136,411.00". Also, moved to waive Rule 51 and place Ordinance No. 17-08 as amended on Third Reading for passage.

Motion made by Councilman Jech, seconded by Councilman Day, to adopt Ordinance No. 17-08 as amended.

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; Ordinance No. 17-08 is adopted as amended.

ORDINANCE NO. 18-08

1/22/08

L-18-08

BY: **S. M. TUMA**

(By Request – Law Director)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF
PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH
THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER OR SPECIAL MULTI-
PERIL INSURANCE INCLUDING CONTENTS AND
BOILERS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilman Tuma, seconded by Councilman Day, to amend Ordinance No. 18-08 as follows: In Section 1., Line 3., after the word "exceed" add the amount "\$77,427.00". Also, moved to waive Rule 51 and place Ordinance No. 18-08 as amended on Third Reading for passage. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilman Jech, seconded by Councilman Day, to adopt Ordinance No. 18-08 as amended.

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; Ordinance No. 18-08 is adopted as amended.

ORDINANCE NO. 25-08

1/22/08

L-25-08

BY: **S. M. TUMA**

(By Request – Parks & Recreation Director)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND A PORTION OF
SUBSECTION (B) OF SECTION 185.05 "FEES OF THE
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE" OF THE CODIFIED
ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PARMA, AND DECLARING
AN EMERGENCY

THIRD READING CONTINUED:

Motion made by Councilman Jech, seconded by Councilman Day, to adopt Ordinance No. 25-08.

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; Ordinance No. 25-08 is adopted.

SUSPENSION OF THE RULES:

ORDINANCE NO. 46-08 2/19/08 L-46-08

BY: **R. J. JECH**, S. P. BRENNAN, N. J. CELEBREZZE, M. GALINAS, B. DAY
(By Request – Community Services & Economic Development Director)

AN ORDINANCE TO CONVEY CITY-OWNED LAND,
PERMANENT PARCEL NUMBER 447-16-019 AND KNOWN
AS THE FORMER FIRE STATION NO. 2, TO THE PARMA
COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION, AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Germana – Shall the statutory provision and Rule 47 requiring the full and distinct reading of Ordinance No. 46-08 on three different days be dispensed with?

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; motion carried.

Mr. Germana – Shall Rule 44 requiring reference to Committee be dispensed with and Ordinance No. 46-08 be placed on final passage?

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; motion carried.

Motion made by Councilman Jech, seconded by Councilman Day, to adopt Ordinance No. 46-08.

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; Ordinance No. 46-08 is adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 61-08 2/19/08 L-61-08

BY: **S. M. TUMA**
(By Request – Auditor)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2008 TEMPORARY
APPROPRIATIONS OF THE CITY OF PARMA, OHIO,
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Germana – Shall the statutory provision and Rule 47 requiring the full and distinct reading of Ordinance No. 61-08 on three different days be dispensed with?

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; motion carried.

Mr. Germana – Shall Rule 44 requiring reference to Committee be dispensed with and Ordinance No. 61-08 be placed on final passage?

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; motion carried.

Auditor Kish – Stated there are four additions to the Exhibit. They are as follows:

185-185-61014-00000 - \$ 4,300.00

186-186-66081-00000 - \$ 3,800.00

001-003-62049-00000 - \$ 80,000.00

605-605-62049-00000 - \$150,000.00

SUSPENSION OF THE RULES CONTINUED:

Motion made by Councilman Jech, seconded by Councilman Day, to adopt Ordinance No. 61-08.

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; Ordinance No. 61-08 is adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 62-08

2/19/08

L-62-08

BY: **S. M. TUMA**

(By Request – Auditor)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY AUDITOR'S
POST CERTIFICATION OF REQUISITIONS AS DETAILED
IN EXHIBIT "A", AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Germana – Shall the statutory provision and Rule 47 requiring the full and distinct reading of Resolution No. 62-08 on three different days be dispensed with?

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; motion carried.

Mr. Germana – Shall Rule 44 requiring reference to Committee be dispensed with and Resolution No. 62-08 be placed on final passage?

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; motion carried.

Motion made by Councilman Jech, seconded by Councilman Day, to adopt Resolution No. 62-08.

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; Resolution No. 62-08 is adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 63-08

2/19/08

L-63-08

BY: **T. J. REGAS**, S. P. BRENNAN, N. J. CELEBREZZE, B. DAY, M. GALINAS, R. J. JECH,
K. A. RAMSER, T. J. REGAS

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE EXPANSION
OF OHIO'S "SAFE HAVEN" LAW, AND DECLARING
AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Germana – Shall the statutory provision and Rule 47 requiring the full and distinct reading of Resolution No. 63-08 on three different days be dispensed with?

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; motion carried.

Mr. Germana – Shall Rule 44 requiring reference to Committee be dispensed with and Resolution No. 63-08 be placed on final passage?

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; motion carried.

Motion made by Councilman Jech, seconded by Councilman Day, to adopt Resolution No. 63-08.

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; Resolution No. 63-08 is adopted.

Mayor DePiero – Thanked Councilman Regas for working with State Representative DeGeeter and his office to put forth this Resolution. This House Bill was introduced by Representative DeGeeter, District 15, last week. Currently the Ohio Safe Haven Law, which was passed in 2002, allows the parent of a child who is less than three days old to deliver that child to a hospital, fire fighter, or police officer if that child is unwanted with no questions asked. Forty

SUSPENSION OF THE RULES CONTINUED

other states have a bill like this, and since this law has been in effect, it has been utilized to save children's lives. Representative DeGeeter's Bill would extend the time period from three days to six days to give more time for parents to allow for this to happen. There would also be a mandatory teaching of this in high school curriculum in health classes.

LEGISLATION TO BE RECONSIDERED:

ORDINANCE NO. 392-07 12/17/07 L-391-07
BY: **R. J. JECH, B. DAY**, S. M. TUMA, S. P. BRENNAN, N. J. CELEBREZZE, M. GALINAS,
K. A. RAMSER, T. J. REGAS

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF
PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A GRANT OF
CONSERVATION EASEMENT AGREEMENT, AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Motion made by Councilman Day, seconded by Councilman Jech, to Reconsider Ordinance No. 392-07 and to amend by accepting Revised Exhibit "A". Motion carried.

Law Director Dobeck – Stated the easement is between the City and West Creek for a parcel of land. The parcel is on Coventry. They needed a house so that the creek trail could go through.

Motion made by Councilman Jech, seconded by Councilman Day, to adopt Reconsidered Ordinance No. 392-07 as amended.

Yes: Tuma, Brennan, Celebrezze, Day, Galinas, Jech, Ramser, Regas.

No: None; Reconsidered Ordinance No. 392-07 is adopted as amended.

APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS

Appointment Scanning Committee Chairman Ramser – Stated, the Appointment Scanning Committee met on February 11, 2008, to consider Dianna Kall for a citizen's appointment to the Records Commission. Her term will begin on March 1, 2008, and end on April 30, 2011.

Motion made by Councilman Ramser, seconded by Councilman Day, to accept this appointment as recommended by the Appointment Scanning Committee of Council. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SESSION

Janet Hobin, 12341 Debby Drive – This is in regard to the water and sewer contract. Thinks the tax payers shouldn't be expected to pick up the tab for any problem that is because of irresponsible County Surveyors or builders and developers. If anything is problematic because of a new development, there is still time to go back. Asked if the same amount is going to be charged for nursing homes that make money and people living on Social Security for the frontage property charge by the linear foot. Feels there should be more clarification.

Dorothy Hazel, 6601 West Ridgewood Drive – Thanked Council and the Administration for presenting her with the awards. Stated the activities in Parma have kept her busy since 1995. Feels there is still so much to be accomplished to improve our environment. Made remarks about Parma's proposed upgrading of its sewer and water lines. (See attached).

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Mayor DePiero – The purpose of the Northeast Ohio Sewer District and the bills you pay are to treat storm and waste water and allow it to be cleaned. There are three interceptors that the Sewer District operates (the three main plants), and the Mill Creek Tunnel Project is a project

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS CONTINUED:

to contain/combine sewer overflow so that waste water does not get into the fresh water. That project is a result of an EPA mandate. The local sewers are not taken care of by the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District. What they are talking about is treated water or the projects that they take on to make sure so there is not combined sewer overflow.

Stated the Parma State of the City address will be on Monday, February 25, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at Tri C West. It will give an overview of where the City is at currently, where we have been, and where we want to go over the next few years.

Stated, the State of the Schools address is Thursday, February 28, 2008.

Stated, Captain Schmigel has undertaken the Citizens Police Academy Project. Next month the third Citizens Police Academy class will be graduating, and we will be here to recognize them. Captain Schmigel, in connection with Parma Schools and Baldwin Wallace College, put together an instructional tape for an overview of the operations of the Citizens Police Academy. We would like to use this as a recruiting tool for future classes. We encourage all members of the public to be involved in that and to view that video.

Safety Director Baeppler – Stated, eight days ago he tried to explain why they need an upgraded radio system in operability. There was a concert going on at Jigsaw Saloon on February 11, 2008, and there was a disagreement between the 175 patrons and the band. It ended up going out into the street. Several people were arrested for rioting. We had to call mutual aid from Cleveland, Brooklyn, Brook Park, etc. No one could talk to anyone else. The cars could not talk to each other. They had to go through their dispatchers. That just gives you an idea that when there has to be a mutual aid, or when more than one agency has to work, and they have to do it quickly, it would have made a difference if we could have been able to talk to those other agencies and direct them. As it is, one car had to come up to another and tell them. Everyone is looking forward to having the program in place.

Treasurer Zielinski – Thanked Council for giving his son, Anthony, and his Cub Scout Troop the opportunity to lead the Pledge of Allegiance this evening. Thanked the Administration for speaking to the Cub Scouts before the meeting.

Law Director – No comment.

Auditor Kish – No comment.

Councilman Tuma – Thanked the Mayor and his Administration for presenting the Budgets in a thorough and efficient manner. Thanked the Council members for their diligence in preparing for and in reviewing the budgets. Congratulated Dorothy Hazel on her awards. Expressed his condolences to Councilman Ramser and his family on the death of his brother-in-law.

Councilman Brennan – This is in regards to the sewer assessments, concerning the Pleasant Valley residents, they are exempted from this charge for five years because they did have that huge upfront cost recently. In regards to the amounts that everybody will be paying. The \$.15 for linear foot is the cost of residential, but based on the destinations of property, industrial users will pay a different amount. Thanked Dorothy Hazel for giving us information about sewers and for being Citizen of the Month.

AT&T is beginning to put in their Project Light Speed. A resident called today because AT&T is not returning his phone calls. The box is taking up his entire tree lawn. The resident feels this is detrimental to his property value. Stated, he would like AT&T to come before Council to provide a presentation on where and when these boxes are going to be placed.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS CONTINUED:

Councilman Celebrezze – Congratulated Dorothy Hazel. Extended his condolences to Councilman Ramser and his family.

Councilman Day – Congratulated Dorothy Hazel. Congratulated the Mayor on representing the City today at his meeting with Presidential candidate Hillary Clinton.

Councilwoman Galinas – Thanked our Finance Chairman for doing such a fine job with the budgets. Congratulated Dorothy Hazel.

Councilman Jech – Congratulated Dorothy Hazel.

Councilman Ramser – Congratulated Dorothy Hazel. Stated, Don Graves called him over the weekend to say he had surgery, but he is on the road to recovery. Thanked everyone for their expressions of kindness on the loss of his brother-in-law.

Mr. Germana – Stated, our infrastructure is getting older. It has been neglected because it cost money to maintain and repair. We can't just make someone else responsible for certain water lines, certain sanitary sewers, certain storm sewers. We have to take responsibility.

Stated, the Committee Meetings for February 25, 2008, have been moved to March 5, 2008. This will be a Committee Meeting and then a Council Meeting following.
Congratulated Dorothy Hazel on her awards.

REPORT ON ABSENT MEMBERS

Motion made by Councilman Jech, seconded by Councilman Day, to excuse Councilman Larry Napoli. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Councilman Jech, seconded by Councilman Day, to adjourn said Council Meeting. Motion carried.

CERTIFICATION

I, Thomas Mastroianni, Clerk of Council for the City of Parma, Ohio, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the Minutes from the regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, February 19, 2008.

THOMAS MASTROIANNI
CLERK OF COUNCIL

CHARLES M. GERMANA
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Meeting adjourned at 8:58 P.M.

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Minutes completed February 26, 2008

